



## SLIM CHANCE TO PULL OFF FIGHTS

Jim Coffroth Thinks There Is  
Small Hope of Reviving Game  
In California

Boxing promoters and fight followers of California take a gloomy view of the future of the sport. According to Jim Coffroth there is small prospect of boxing being restored to the state where so many championships have changed hands. Coffroth even expects the game to die a natural death in New York and thereafter for lack of interest, due to the fact that championship matches have been practically wiped out.

Coffroth naturally is not inclined to underestimate the importance of the bouts he promoted and the effect they had on the fortunes of the sport in general. He underestimates the possibilities of boxing under the no-decision clause, for which he professes the utmost scorn. That interest has fallen off to some extent since California raised the bar against the sport is true, but that has been the result of having such uninteresting champions as Freddy Welsh and Johnny Kilbane at the head of two in particular divisions.

That there is a great need of decisions is admitted even by those who fear the scandal that invariably ensues when a ring arbiter makes an honest mistake, as well as when he intentionally robs the real winner of a victory. But what is needed even more than decisions is a ring hero for fight followers to worship, just as baseball fans worship Mathewson, Cobb and Wagner. Stanley Ketchel was the last real interesting fighter the ring has had. Were he alive today and at the height of his form the fact that decisions are not allowed would in no way lessen the interest in his battles. The same can be said of Bob Fitzsimmons, Terry McGovern and scores of others whose names live in ring history. Those men were great fighters because they fought for fighting's sake. It is impossible to imagine Fitzsimmons being spoiled by the fact that under the no-decision rule he could safely stall through ten rounds without losing his title. He took too much pride in his work for anything like that.

### Lacking in Personality

The boxers of today lack personality. There is little about any of them that appeals to the imagination. Their conversation and thoughts are devoted to money matters exclusively. The sporting spirit is entirely absent. This is not so much the fault of the fighters themselves, who are gamblers by nature, or they would not have entered the game in the first place. It is the men who control them who are responsible. Most of the stars are controlled by a few men who make a business of managing fighters. These fellows care nothing for the sporting side of boxing and they quickly discourage any tendency in their men to take a chance. As a result the boxers are taught to hug and wrestle instead of to fight in the open and to steer clear of opponents who appear dangerous. The manager who neglects to demand all the money in sight when making a match is laughed at by the other members of the clique not immediately concerned in the affair and the fighter is told that he is a sucker to have a pilot. Even Ketchel, with all his reckless ways that made him a public idol, would soon have his care-free spirit subdued if he were alive today and a member of a modern manager's string.

### ALEXANDER'S ARM IS WORTH SMALL FORTUNE

At Orth, the umpiring person, seems to be unduly worried about Grover Alexander, the pitching wonder of the Phillies.

Alexander throws such a speedy ball that eventually it will hurt his arm," says Orth. "No pitcher can last very long if he puts all of his arm power in a ball, the way that Alexander does."

However, Alexander seems to be shooting Orth's argument to pieces right now. Alexander busted into big league baseball quite a few spells ago. Ever since then he has been throwing a bullet ball. If such a delivery is to hurt, it would seem that Alex's wing should have started backwads about three years ago.

Instead of starting backwads, however, Alexander's arm seems better and stronger this year than ever before. The speed of the Phillie phenom never was so great as it is now and his arm is in such shape that he could pitch every third day and not feel the strain.



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## LOCAL JAPANESE TO PLAY BASEBALL IN BIG ORIENT SERIES

Eleven Japanese baseball players will embark in the Shinyo Maru, September 10, along with the University of Chicago team and possibly the Meiji University team for Japan where the local nine will take part in a big series in which the Chicago, Meiji, Waseda and Keio teams will be the other teams.

At Tokyo, the team will play most of their games with college teams. From Tokyo, the team will journey to Osaka, the second largest city in Japan, where they will play a series of games with the Osaka School nine.

According to the plans so far arranged, the trip of the team will be extended over a period of three months with a possibility of the visit being extended to Manila, R. R. Redfield of Manila League, having offered the team a proposition to play there.

Steele Noda, captain of the old Asahi team of the Oahu League is arranging the details and while the full team has not as yet been picked, Nishi, the catcher, and Araki, the third baseman will be among those making the trip.

## PALAMA GIRLS WILL INVADE VALLEY ISLE

Members of the Palama settlement basketball team left this morning in the Mauna Kea for Wailuku, where a series of three games is to be played. The return games are to be played in the Palama Settlement gymnasium on the evenings of September 2, 3 and 4, at 7:45 o'clock. A dance is to follow the final game on Saturday evening.

Following is a list of girls who will play in the series:

Forwards: Mabel Titcomb (Capt.) and Lizzie Inoua.  
Guards: Lillian Birt and Mary Lohan.  
Centers: Bernice Lane and Eliza Beth Akana.  
Subs: Jennie Hoina.

Tickets for the series are on sale at the Hawaiian News Company and at Palama Settlement at one dollar for the season or fifty cents single admission.

## NATIONALS MAY HAVE THE BETTER CATCHERS

The figures show the American league base runners this season to be nearly fifty percent better than their rivals in the National. The American league's base runners stole 322, against 649 for the Nationals. These figures, in themselves, being up a rather interesting question. Is it that the catchers in the National are better or is it really that their base runners are really slower?

Experts who have timed the various runners declare the National league has more fast men than the American. If that be true it must be that the catchers are better in the National or that the runners are less ambitious. Take your pick.

## SEALS MAKE SLIGHT GAIN ON LOS ANGELES

STANDING OF TEAMS			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	80	63	.560
San Francisco	78	64	.549
Vernon	73	68	.518
Salt Lake	67	72	.482
Portland	60	74	.448
Oakland	64	81	.441

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LOS ANGELES, August 26.—Wolferton's men won from the Tigers here yesterday after one of the closest played games of the year. Score—San Francisco 5, Vernon 4.

At San Francisco, Blankenship's men again defeated the Oaks by a single run. Score—Salt Lake 3, Oakland 2.

Portland and Los Angeles game at Portland, postponed; rain.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LOS ANGELES, August 25.—For White's men continued their fast work on the diamond here yesterday and in the opening game of the series with Seals won easily. Score—Vernon 6, San Francisco 3.

At Portland, the Beavers outplayed the Angels in a hard fought game. Score—Portland 3, Los Angeles 2.

At San Francisco, Blankenship's men won the opening game of the series from the Oaks. Score—Salt Lake 5, Oakland 4.

## YACHTSMEN WILL HAVE FAST CREWS

Coach William Lyle Well Pleased  
With Way Four and Six-  
Oared Teams Line Up

One thing is certain, the Honolulu Yacht Club members can never be barred from not trying. Last Sunday afternoon every member of the club found something to do at the club houses at the Peninsula toward making the twentieth annual regatta of the Hawaiian Rowing Association a big success. Despite the warm weather, the senior, junior and freshmen crews of the six-oared barge and the four-oared barge were out practicing all day Sunday. The only reason the paired men were not out was that the Honolulu yachtsmen have no two-oared barge.

After the various crews had been coaxed back to the club house, Commodore William Lyle, who is also coach of the men, gave them the once over and then expressed himself as more than well pleased with results. No one was in a boastful mood while changing their togs after the day's work, but a feeling of confidence hung over the boat house. Even if the Honolulu do not run one-two in the big meet next month there will be that satisfaction that they tried and made the other fellows beat an ear to beat them. At that the boys do not feel they are going to run in the rut, and from the way they handle their boats and pull an oar the Peninsula crews will be among those present on Regatta Day.

Among the seniors who are showing well are: Andrews, Pat Sullivan, Rice, Hamaku, Granberg, Lyle and Willing. The juniors have: Smith, O'Brien, David Kahanamoku, E. Boyd, L. Ross, J. McVey, Markham and E. Ladd.

## RINGSIDE CRITICS DO NOT FALL FOR COWLER

Despite the fact that Tom Cowler made a brave stand against the season-old Gunboat Smith in their recent bout at New York, the general opinion of the fight experts thereabouts is that Jim Corbett's white hope will not do.

"Lacks even a smattering of that all important fighting essential—back," marks the Sun.

"Accent is on the Cow," adds the World.

Judging from the account of the bout, Cowler took a dozen blows on the chin that must have been felt by the old folks back in England. He didn't wince, thus showing his gameness, but a fighter needs some other natural requirements besides gameness, and presumably Cowler hasn't many of these at his command.

It looks as if Corbett over-rated his man. Chances are the big heavy would have made a much better showing against some of the other left-over truck drivers around New York.

Cowler is the 210-pounder who was picked up in Portland by Corbett when he was there a few months ago on his vaudeville tour. Jacobs took Cowler to Australia and Tom cleaned up three second raters in fairly decisive fashion.

Australian critics said he looked very promising. Possibly the New Yorkers would have given similar boosts to the Englishman had Corbett started him against something softer than Gunboat.

## JENNINGS' HOPES HAVE ABOUT FLED

Tigers Fight Gamely But To No  
Avail Against Red Sox—  
Phillies Gaining

STANDING OF TEAMS			
	W.	L.	Pct.
National League			
Philadelphia	61	59	.550
Brooklyn	62	55	.530
Boston	59	55	.518
Cincinnati	54	52	.509
St. Louis	58	58	.500
Pittsburgh	58	60	.492
Chicago	54	58	.482
New York	50	59	.459
American League			
W. L. Pct.			
Boston	76	37	.673
Detroit	74	42	.638
Chicago	73	42	.635
Washington	56	57	.496
New York	52	56	.481
Cleveland	44	71	.383
St. Louis	44	72	.379
Philadelphia	36	78	.315

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
DETROIT, August 26.—Jennings' men were practically eliminated from the American League race here yesterday afternoon when they dropped the second game of the series to the Red Sox. Only a big slump on the part of Carrigan's men, and a wonderful spurt on the part of the Tigers can put them back into the race. Score—Boston 2, Detroit 1.

Following were the results of other games:

At St. Louis—St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 3.

At Cleveland—New York 3, Cleveland 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
PHILADELPHIA, August 26.—Philadelphia fans are jubilant today over the Phillies double victory over the Reds yesterday afternoon. With the Dodgers only breaking even, Moran's men have all the best of the argument in the pennant race. Score—First game, Philadelphia 8, Cincinnati 0; second game, Philadelphia 6, Cincinnati 5.

Following were the results of other games:

At New York—First game, New York 5, Pittsburgh 3; second game, Pittsburgh 9, New York 7.

At Brooklyn—First game, St. Louis 5, Brooklyn 3; second game, Brooklyn 3, St. Louis 2.

At Boston—Boston 2, Chicago 0.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
DETROIT, August 25.—Before a crowd taxing the capacity of Bennett Park, the Red Sox won the opening game of their series with the home team here yesterday afternoon. The victory gives Boston a clear lead of two and one-half games over the Tigers in the race for the pennant. Score—Boston 3, Detroit 1.

Following were the results of other games:

At St. Louis—St. Louis 10, Philadelphia 7. Second game—St. Louis 6, Philadelphia 2.

At Cleveland—Cleveland 6, New York 0.

At Washington—Chicago 6, Washington 2 (13 innings).

The steamer Niagara from Honolulu August 11, arrived at Sydney Monday.

The steamer Sonoma, from Honolulu August 9, arrived at Sydney yesterday.

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## M'GREGOR'S WHARF IS ORDERED CLOSED BY HARBOR BOARD

Inter-Island Permit To Use Land-  
ing Is Cancelled, Begin-  
ning September 1

## UNITED STATES MAIL CONTRACT IS AFFECTED

Lahaina Will Be Made Safe and  
Kihei Is Designated  
As Port

Resolved: In view of the dangerous and unsafe condition of McGregor's Landing, that the temporary permit to use the same, granted the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company, under date of November 20, 1914, be withdrawn on September 1, 1915, and that immediate steps be taken by this board to make the port of landing of Lahaina a reasonably safe place for the landing of passengers; and, further, that range lights be immediately installed at Kihei wharf, subject to same being approved by the federal lighthouse department.

This resolution, introduced by Commissioner Wakefield and seconded by Commissioner McGee, was adopted unanimously by the board of harbor commissioners at its regular meeting yesterday, following a discussion of two hours and a half, in which the pros and cons of the controversy over the respective merits of McGregor's Landing and the Kihei wharf, were gone into.

In connection with this resolution a motion, made by Commissioner McGee, and seconded by Commissioner Wakefield, was unanimously agreed to providing for the dismantling of McGregor's Landing immediately after September 1. The motion further provided that traffic by way of this landing place be closed entirely on that date and that the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company be notified of the action of the board.

Mail Contract At Issue  
This marks the passing away of McGregor's as a landing place for passengers, mail and freight on Maui. The Inter-Island has a contract with the federal government to land mail at McGregor's at stated intervals and the company has, in the past, strenuously objected to the closing of this landing, for an extension of which the last legislature made an appropriation of \$10,000, this appropriation becoming available July 1.

A petition signed by 132 business men and other residents of Maui, protesting against the expenditure of the appropriation on McGregor's Landing and calling for the dismantling of the landing was received by the board early in the week. They claimed that McGregor's is an unusual landing and asked that the Inter-Island steamers make Kihei, further south on the same coast and much nearer Wailuku, the county seat, which is three miles inland from the coast across from Kihei, a regular port of call.

The board will take immediate steps to make Lahaina a safer landing place for passengers and, in a measure, to prevent the loss of life at this point, such as occurred several months ago when two Orientals were drowned. Chairman Forbes and other members of the board will likely visit Lahaina shortly to see what can be done to remedy the situation.

## ACTION DISAPPOINTS I. I. S. N. COMPANY

James L. McLean, vice-president of the Inter-Island, was disappointed at the action of the board.

"We have a mail contract for McGregor's which we must fill," said he. "This was executed July 1, 1914, and has until June 30, 1915 to run. If we can land at Lahaina, well and good; if we cannot, we must take the mail to Hilo and try to land it when we return—that is, after McGregor's has been dismantled."

Our captains report that they do not consider Kihei safe for the big ships which would be expected to touch there; at night time, the Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea, when either is laid up, the Kilanea. They draw nineteen feet of water; the shoal at Kihei, about 650 feet long, has only eighteen feet of water.

### Some Other Objections

"Kihei would not be safe without a gas buoy to indicate the location of this shoal. Range lights, as suggested by the harbor board, might be very well in line with the plan, when there is rain or fog or dust from the mountain, the range lights would not be enough for the ships to go in by. Besides, the big mass of Haleakala does not give land marks. We would have to touch at Kihei at night, it will be remembered."

A gas buoy would remove objections so far as safety is concerned, but landings at Kihei still would be open to the objection that McGregor's is the better place. When we cannot make landings at Lahaina because of bad weather, passengers for Lahaina are taken to McGregor's and put ashore there. Landings at McGregor's are always possible under ordinary conditions. It is unfair to Lahaina passengers to force them to go to Kihei to disembark."

"What we hoped for was an extension to McGregor's to permit boats to go to the landing without being exposed to the backwash from the big submerged rock under the landing. An appropriation of \$10,000 was made for this work, and the wharf would have been extended 100 or 150 feet. This work, had it been done, would have made McGregor's the best landing. Within the last few months the light-house board has completed repairs to the McGregor's lighthouse."

## POLICEMEN OWING TERRITORIAL TAXES GIVEN TIME TO PAY

Effect Compromise Which Will  
Enable Them To Settle On  
Installment Plan

## ONE-QUARTER OF SALARY UNTIL DEBT IS CANCELLED

Agreement Also Affects Many  
Employees of Fire Depart-  
ment. Also Involved

A compromise was arrived at yesterday by City Attorney Brown and Attorney Lorin Andrews, representing a number of employees of the police department, whereby the policemen who are in arrears with their territorial taxes will be allowed to pay one-fourth of their salary each pay day until the amount against them has been cleared away, instead of having their arrears taken out of their pay at one fell swoop, as was threatened by Tax Assessor Wilder.

On Tuesday morning Motorcycle Officer W. H. Chilton, who is one of the noble order of debtors, went over to Tax Assessor Wilder, as soon as he had read Deputy Sheriff Ash's notice, and asked if it would be agreeable for him to pay his back taxes on the installment plan.

Wilder said "Nothing Doing". Chilton then consulted Attorney Andrews on the matter. So did a dozen or more members of the police department, to whom the matter was a serious, not to say a vital one.

Yesterday Andrews and Brown had a conference and a compromise resulted, as stated.

Tax Assessor Wilder's stand in the matter is based on a law passed by the legislature of 1911, which says that any city employee who owes any taxes can be summarily mulcted of the amount due by the auditor, by the simple but effective process of taking it out of his salary.

Attorney Andrews contended that the law under consideration is unconstitutional, in that it is discriminatory and makes a difference in the matter of the collection of taxes between employees of the city, who are certainly employees of a corporation, and employees of any other corporation.

The compromise effected was based on the fact that the tax office can sue for the payment of back taxes and is empowered to garnish a delinquent's salary to the extent of 25 per cent, and that it was understood that the members of the police department who are in arrears with their taxes are willing to get in good standing with the Territory. By so doing the delinquents will fulfill the requirements of the law without the machinery of the law, with its consequent vexation and cost having been put in motion.

Policemen Are Satisfied  
The compromise was hailed with great satisfaction round police headquarters yesterday, for some of the boys owe as much as fifty or sixty dollars, which, through sickness or other misfortune, in many cases, they have been unable to pay.

To hold up their wages until these claims were satisfied would be a gross injustice, it is argued, for it would mean that the delinquents would be deprived of their means of support until he claims of the Territory had been satisfied.

One employee of the police department, a Portuguese, twenty-three years old, said yesterday that he had been charged with eight years' back taxes, and that when he had complained had been told that he must have been confused with other persons of the same name.

Firemen Also Relieved  
While this compromise was brought about in connection with members of the police department, it will affect in measure employees of the fire department, who will also feel greatly relieved at the satisfactory arrangement which has been arrived at.

## MAVERICK OWNER SERVING GERMANY

According to information just received in Honolulu, Capt. Frederic J. Jensen, whose connection with the steamer Maverick, the "mystery ship" recently at Hilo and afterwards in Japanese waters, where it was twice held up and searched by Dutch warships, and the steamer Mazatlan has brought him into much notoriety in Trans-Pacific shipping circles, in connection with violations of United States neutrality, is commanding a German submarine, said to be the U-40, now operating in the North Sea.

Jensen has led an adventurous career from the time he first arrived on the Pacific Coast from Hamburg and established himself in the shipping business. He frequently has clashed with the Mexican authorities on the lower Coast, his latest trouble occurring when the steamer Mazatlan, of which he was owner, was seized at Ensenada. This was nine months ago and the vessel has never been released, although Jensen has at various times interested the German, American and British governments in the novel case. The Mazatlan was seized by General Villa.

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plies and coal out to the German war-  
ships in defiance to the American neu-  
trality regulations. His latest and  
most daring adventure was in connection  
with the shipment of cargo claimed to  
consist of arms and ammunition from  
San Diego to Straits Settlements via  
Socorro Island, where he planned to  
inaugurate a revolt against British rule.  
The vigilance of the Dutch war-  
ships and British cruiser Newcastle is  
said to have prevented the consummation  
of this plot.

When federal authorities began look-  
ing for Jensen he left America for  
Germany in a neutral ship, posing as  
a Swedish sailor, thus evading the  
British authorities.

## TWENTY SHIPS DELAYED BY CULEBRA CUT SLIDE

Mail advices from San Francisco are  
that the Panama Canal was blocked by  
slides in the Culebra cut from August  
7 to August 11. Twenty ships had  
been delayed by the slide; ten, includ-  
ing the Panama Pacific liner, Finland,  
got through the first day the canal was  
opened, August 11. The Finland was  
four days late in San Francisco because  
of some of the delay that it is apparent  
the British steamer City of Lincoln,  
from New York for Vladivost